

The Carolina DX Association

Bulletin

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DX INFORMATION EXCHANGE 147.18 0130Z WEDNESDAYS

CQWW DX PHONE CONTEST OCT 25-26

This year as in the past, we will again gather at Roger's antenna farm and those that can't, we will do our thing from our own QTH. Whichever you choose to do, do it with greatness and with the knowledge that only a bit more effort from all members, we can surpass our old scores.

Last years score was so-so and 84 was a bit higher. I don't see how we can accept even the equal score this year if we ever expect to come out on top.

CDXA's membership consist of all DXers and nothing else. A DXer knows how to jump in and come out with what he wants, so we need to bond together in this common event to put CXDA on top. I for one would like to have a sense of accomplishment when its over knowing that I did my part to put CXDA in the leading front. I don't think we should accept an honorable mention in the final results. That is nothing more than saying we took part in the contest but didn't do very good.

Roger, N4ZC still needs operators at his location on Rt 1 in Mt Holly, NC. Please call him, 704-263-1133 or use the Carowinds rept to offer your services. If you can operate only for a few hours on any day, let him know. Whatever you do, don't sit around and wait on someone to ask you.....

This issue has one each of the log and score sheet enclosed. No, your job isn't over when you fill up the single page. You will need to make copies for your own use at your QTH. If you are going to Roger's basement, he will have everything needed.

Make sure you work every different country you hear on each band, even if you can only work for maybe an hour 4 or 5 times each day.

Together we can stop being the south end of a chicken headed north. Lets do it....

Check 147.36, 0030Z Wednesday for more details...

If you operate from home during this one, Gary, KD4RH said he will take care of the paper work for us again. All required of you is, to mail it to him using his new address on the back of this sheet.

Remember CXDA is the donor of the USA Multioperator Phone-Single Transmitter plaque for this event. Our score last year was 2,938,059. Seven stations scored 3,000,000 or higher and one scored 4,000,000 and up. Eight stations should be easy to pass this year if we pull together.

Start: 0000Z Sat Oct 25 (Fri night)
Stop: 2400Z Sun Oct 26

Use 147.36 or 147.18 to get involved and remember the scores will be used to judge the CDXA award winners which consist of

CQ WW SSB : Full Power for top score
: Barefoot " " "

JW5E will be on during the contest by LA5NM, LA6WEA and some of the local members of the JW5E club. They will start one day before and go till the day after for those of you needing it. QSL via LA5NM who is also QSL MGR for the club station. LA8CJ

Members of the Nominating Committee, N4ZC, W4UNP, N4CQ & KU4V should get your line-up for 1987 soon. The December meeting is closer than you think.

The fall BBQ at Gary/Carol's was a filling experience to say the least. It was a time of fellowship with friends and the food was great enough for many of the members to ask for the same cooks to take charge next year..

NOTE: Read N4ZC's "How To Be A Winner" enclosed and make copies of the forms early.....

QSL AND DX INFORMATION

VK9XI via ZL1AMO with much thanks to Jim, VK6RU and Craig, VK9XW for their fine efforts on making it work.
 TU4BR-TU4BS via KN4F...HD8G via KT1N...
 ZL7BKM now in the Chathams... Eric, SM0AGD says he will not operate from IS next year as stated in some bulletins...Rumor was a ZD9 was going to ZS2 in a few weeks, not so. He was going to Gough Island in the same area. Although this will not take place because an op from St Helena will go, so there.....

Marti stills want to know how his trip to ZA got started. He, OH2BH, feels the trip may be possible within a year....FT8WA, with a Drake station from INDEXA will start Nov 15th from Crozet. FT8ZA will start from Amsterdam also on Nov 15th. Both via F6FNU.....Mayotte will have 2 ops, FH8CL & FH8EA (CW/SSB) in Nov... Lloyd & Iris will try for a 3B9 license when in 3B8...Roger, N4ZC talked to W4FRU about the DXCC revamp and said only one vote was cast for a total restart. So it appears we will not have a total change if anything at all...Remember the QSLs for VK9XI goes bulk via KD4RH....

Membership & Correspondence address

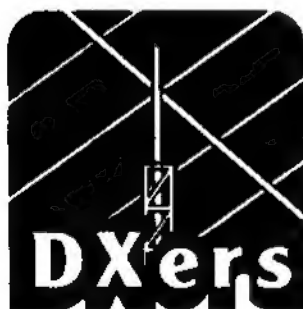
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FCC: The San Juan office investigated repeated interference complaints on the amateur frequency of 7258 kHz on or about 9 Sept 86. It was found that D.G.Ackley, W4UWH caused willful and malicious interference constituting violations of sections 97.125, 97.7(a) and 97.84. This adds up to a monetary forfeiture of \$1450. He is licensed as a Technician Class.... #PR-5, The FCC upheld it's earlier determination not to allow an Advanced Class^{to} administer Element 1(B)..... W4UNP

A letter from VP2EZ, along with information from the Dept of Information and Broadcasting, Government of Angulla, West Indies. The Government information states the conditions under which an amateur radio call sign may be issued to Anguillans, non-residents, alien residents and special temporary calls. The complaint is: calls obtained to obtain other license in Third World countries; calls bootlegged outside of Angulla, using reciprocal calls wrong and the local operators admonished because the transient operators not QSLing. It further states a non-resident call shall consist of the applicants home call, preceded by the designator "VP2E/" only...



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Lake Dwellers Host Emergency Preparedness Exercise

In these days when the word **EMERGENCY** is a part of everyone's reality, it's good to know that there is help available and ready to operate a system of communications in our rural community.

That help comes from people involved in Amateur Radio and it serves as a communications link among people throughout the world. Amateur Radio operators perform critical public service by setting up an effective communications network in times of natural disaster or civil emergency. Often these operators provide the only means of reliable communication available to a region. In our area operators also provide a communications network for Red Cross activities, marathons and bicycle races.

Operators world-wide participate in an annual Emergency Preparedness exercise called **CQ Field Day**. It is designed to simulate emergen-

cy conditions and test the amateur radio operator in terms of his plan for operation and his effectiveness in communications. The emergency situation is a time-bound exercise that requires operating stations to be set up as if an emergency had just occurred.

This year's CQ Field Day found **Reagan Rowe, Ken Sanders** and



RUDY



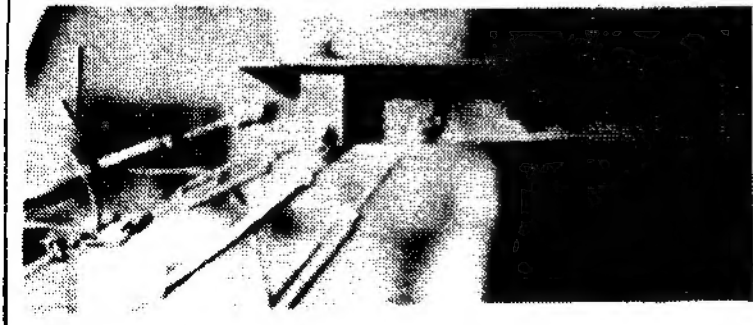
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Rudy Redl operating from Lake Norman from a battery operated station *in the wilds*. The Lake Norman station was set up outside with an elaborate antenna system designed for tree-top installation. According to part-time Lake Dweller Rowe, "We operated the basic system that did not depend on a community power source—only battery contact."

CDXA/QRP Field Day 1986

Was conducted by Reagan, Rudy and Ken on Lake Norman with the rigs on the front porch of their cottage. They had two Ten Tec Argosy transceivers powered by deep cycle batteries. They constructed a horizontal diamond shaped, full wave loop for E-W or N-S radiation. Lower bands were covered by twin sloping dipoles tied in the center with 450 ohm twin lead, W8JK style.

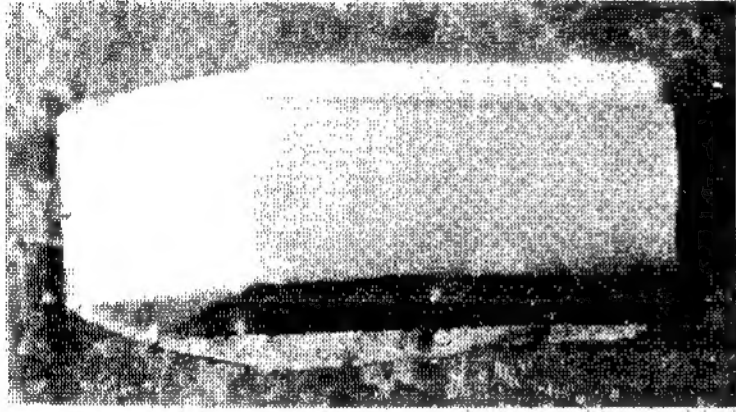
Phone and CW were used on 20, 40, 80 and a few on 10 & 15 meters. Only 11 hours of operation were put into the contest but more could have been done except for the monster headache we had the next morning caused by a bit of liquid refreshment the night before. A score of nearly 3200 points has stirred the fellows into a promise of more the same in 1987. A very good showing in the spirit of amateur radio...



Check for rust and make sure the turnbuckle has a safety strap ...



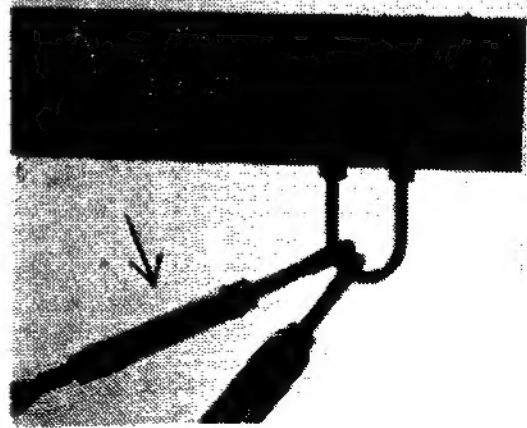
Forced to hide an upright anchor support? Good place for rust...



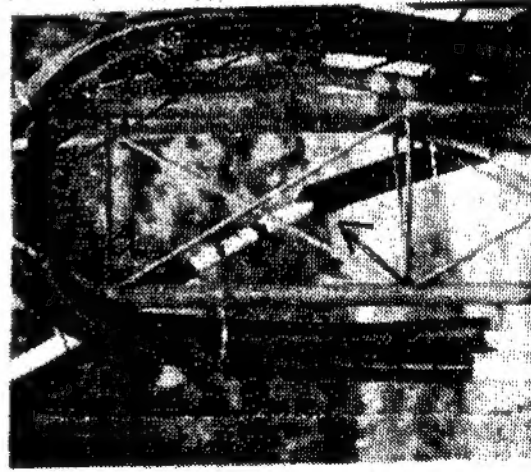
Got a hole in the bldg and no ^{COAX} protection? Make a cover from aluminum..



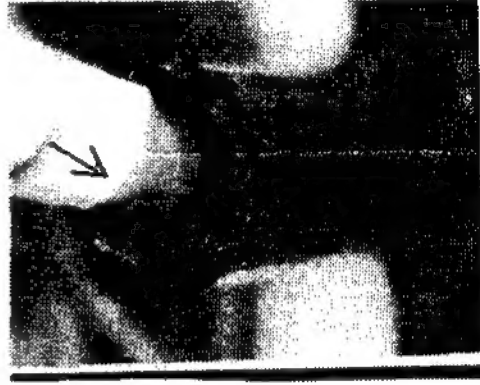
Coax or control cable too short? Mount an old splice case at the base of tower & splice anything..



No safety here. Nature or kids can drop your tower quite easy...



Make a mistake and the conduit catches rain water ?



Seal the conduit with cable epoxy and its good for life

CHECK YOUR OUTSIDE AREA WHILE THE WEATHER IS STILL NICE. THOSE THAT WAIT MAY BE SORRY...

W4MMQ